

DEFIED BY REDELL.

Bank President Palmer Accused of Silencing Him.

A Sensation in the Mortgage Forgery Case.

Lively Proceedings Before Judge O'Brien This Morning.

James E. Redell, who realized over a quarter of a million by forging mortgages, created another sensation in Supreme Court Chambers this morning.

Last Friday he was brought before Judge Morgan J. O'Brien on a writ of habeas corpus and was sworn to testify in the action brought by his former employers, Shuman, Barlow, Larocque & Choate, against the Bank of the State of New York to recover a portion of the large amount of which he had robbed them by his forgeries.

The examination was adjourned until this morning, when Redell was again produced in Court by Tomba Keeper Frank Smith.

Considerable time was spent in an argument as to the extent of the examination between Elihu Root, representing the plaintiffs, and William Allen Butler, J. S. Cadwallader, Stephen B. Nash and W. Hildreth Field, who represent the several banks whose interests are involved in the suit.

This question, being settled, Mr. Root called Redell to the stand.

The little forger, who had been sitting between Keeper Smith and his brother, Charles Redell, arose and stroking to the bar, asked:

"Will Your Honor permit the witness to make a statement, and that is that I most respectfully, but firmly, decline to testify in this case."

Mr. Root was dazed and looked at his astonishment.

Counselor Cadwallader smiled and asked him jokingly: "Why didn't you tell us of this before?"

Plaintiffs counsel did not relish the joke. Redell is his most important witness and on him depends almost entirely the recovery of the large amount of money which Shuman, Barlow, Larocque & Choate have lost.

He demanded that the witness take the stand, and Redell was required to do so.

"What is your name?" was Mr. Root's first question.

"I decline to answer," was the forger's reply.

"On what ground do you decline?"

"I decline to state the ground."

Mr. Root asked the Court to direct Redell to answer, but he turned to Judge O'Brien and said firmly: "I respectfully refuse."

The witness was then shown one of his forged checks made payable to the order of Thomas Muir, and was asked to examine it and to say if the indorsement on it was made by him.

He declined to do either. Mr. Root was getting angry.

"How long is it since you came to the determination to decline to testify?" he asked.

"I decline to state," was the reply of the imperturbable rascal.

Have you had an interview with any of the banks interested in the result of this action since you were sworn to testify?"

"I refuse to answer."

"Did you not have an interview with Frank Palmer, President of the Broadway Bank, in the Tombs?"

"I respectfully refuse to answer that question."

"In that interview did not Palmer request you to keep your mouth closed regarding the facts in controversy in this action?"

Palmer, counsel for Field, who represents Mr. Palmer's bank, interposed with an objection, saying: "This is a surprise to me."

"To me too," snapped Mr. Root and insisted on his question, which was as satisfactory as any answer that could be given.

Mr. Root then made the assertion that he held in his hand sworn information that President Palmer of the Broadway Bank had visited Redell and asked him to keep his mouth closed, and with the declaration he flung a paper that looked suspiciously like an affidavit in the direction of the witness which preceded it.

Check after check was shown Redell, and he was interrogated with reference to them, but in each instance he refused to either answer them or to testify regarding them.

Judge O'Brien asked the object of the further examination of the witness, and Mr. Root said that he wished to protect his client by showing that he had exhausted every recourse which he had to make the witness testify.

He then read a long list of the checks with forged indorsements, and incorporated them all in a single question with an objection refused to answer, as he had the others.

Mr. Root then moved that the process of the Court be issued to punish Redell for contempt, which he asked that an adjournment be taken to a reasonable time to ascertain if the witness will repent of his contumacy.

Judge O'Brien said that Redell was undoubtedly guilty of contempt, but that the process of the Court could hardly punish him, as he is already a prisoner on a criminal charge.

Mr. Root insisted that it was for the interest of his clients to have every legal course taken to compel the witness to testify, and a commitment for contempt was ordered to issue.

The examination was adjourned for one week.

After the scene in Chambers, Redell was taken to Part I. of the Tombs, the General Sessions, where he was on the calendar to plead to an indictment for forgery. His arraignment was postponed until other indictments against him can be prepared, and he was returned to his cell in the Tombs.

Mr. Howe said to-day that he had unlimited confidence that Redell would lavish money upon the trial, but he would not say who the money were, or particularly further, as he said that the revelation just now might injure his clients.

His partner, Mr. Hummel, refused to say a word upon the subject to an EVENING WORLD reporter this morning. It was learned, however, that a considerable amount of detective work on the part of the firm has been accomplished, and that Redell and Dodge were companions in debauchery, if the latter was not implicated in the forgeries.

This revelation furnishes a motive for Dodge's suicide which is much more reasonable than the one heretofore advanced.

Henry Monett's Funeral.

Henry Monett, Passenger Agent of the New York Central road, was buried to-day at Yonkers. Prominent officers of the railroad were present, Mr. Vanderbilt having performed a special car for them.

It May Be Yellow Fever.

The steamship Wenzelsky, from Aspinwall, is detained at Quarantine, where Health Officer Smith is examining into the illness of eight members of her crew who are reported to be suffering from Chagas fever, of which Chief Frederickson died on Sept. 28. Rumors were current that the disease is yellow fever, cases of which have been brought hither from Aspinwall on several occasions.

Feet Dead on South Fifth Avenue.

The body of an unknown man, aged thirty-five years, who dropped dead on the sidewalk in front of 120 South Fifth Avenue last evening is still unidentified at the morgue.

Methodists in Conference.

The New York Conference of the Methodist Church resumed its annual Fall session in the Divinity Street Church at Paterson this morning. Rev. Dr. J. S. Smith, of Tompkins Cove, presiding. An election of officers will be held this evening.

MID RUINS HORROR.

Counties of the probable cause of the accident, some attributing it to the negligence of the flagman in not getting back with the red light, others saying the fourth section, which ran into the third, had no air brake.

HEARTRENDING SCENES.

After the news was received at the hospital confirming the worst fears, the scenes at the depot spread that the train was approaching. Then a rush was made for the platform. A line of policemen and railroad employees was drawn up to keep back the crowd. It was then reported that the wounded were aboard and were to be taken on to Mill Creek, near the hospital, there to be transferred.

One hearing this spring forward and with an awful impression declared that his family were on the train, and that any attempt to keep him from them would mean his own death.

It was learned a little later that no wounded were on board. As the train drew up it was found to contain many from Pleasant Valley who had left friends behind.

As they alighted and met acquaintances, their shrieks and wails were pitiful to hear.

One young woman moaned that her father and sister were dead, another a brother, and so it went.

SOME OF THOSE KILLED:

Here is a partial list of the killed:

MARY ELLEN GINTON, Hyde Park.

MISS KATE PRATHERTON, Pleasant Valley.

ANDREW MORGAN and two daughters, Pleasant Valley.

THOMAS REDDY, Pleasant Valley.

JOHN M. CONWAY and two sons, Scranton.

OWEN KILKILL, Scranton.

MIKE TYNELL, Dodgeville.

ALICE KELLY, Bellevue.

MTA. MELVIN.

MIKE KALLAHAN.

MARY CONWAY, M. GIBSON, WILLIS NOONAN and MICHAEL POWELL, all of Hyde Park.

FRANK MILLER, Pleasant Valley.

HARRY M. BAY, Pleasant Valley.

M. J. WHELAN, Pleasant Valley.

JOHN W. WHELAN, Pleasant Valley.

JAMES KLINE, Providence.

MARY ANN DUNN, Scranton.

JOHN WELSH, Mill Creek.

JOHN KEOGAN, Windsor.

ANTHONY MULLIGAN, Olyphant.

MRS. M. CONWAY, Pleasant Valley.

MIKE DOLAN, Providence.

FRANK and HARRY JACKSON, and Secretary of Pleasant Valley.

JOHN CONROY, Hyde Park.

BLANCHARD A. HOY, Minnesota.

JOHN M. BRYANT.

JOHN MCKENNA.

WILLIE KELLEY.

MRS. MCANDREW and two sons.

OSCAR GIBSON.

MRS. M. CONWAY, Pleasant Valley.

MARY A. GANNON, Hyde Park.

MICHAEL MURPHY, Bellevue.

JOHN KEOGAN, Hyde Park.

ANNIE HART, Hyde Park.

LIST OF THE INJURED.

The following is a list of the injured as far as could be learned:

WILLIAM CLOHE, Dodgeville.

JOHN LANE, Dodgeville.

ANTHONY PARRA, Bellevue.

THOMAS DUNN, Dodgeville.

THOMAS TROY, MARTIN WALSH, JOHN MCANDREW, of Olyphant.

WALTER CONWAY, PROVIDENCE.

WALTER CONWAY, HARRY COOK, ANNIE MALONEY, SARAH MALONEY, WILLIAM MALONEY and JOHN KEOGAN, of Taylorville.

A. LYON, B. LYON.

THOMAS CLARK.

JAMES HANCOCK, of Old Forge.

JOHN W. WHELAN, Pleasant Valley.

LEONARD PENROSE.

TAKING THE INJURED TO WILKESBARRE.

A special train of three cars, in charge of Dr. Trimmer, arrived here at 5 o'clock this morning from the wreck with twenty-four injured persons. They were placed in cars of Dr. Weaver, of this city, who accompanied them to the City Hospital.

Dr. Trimmer reports that many of the injured are badly burned by gas coming from the engine stack.

AT LEAST SEVENTY-FIVE HURT.

It was a Bad Accident at the Quince Celebration Last Night.

QUINCE, N. H.

At least seventy-five people were badly injured by the collapse of the amphitheater at the Quince celebration last night. The stand held nearly four thousand people and fell shortly after 8 o'clock.

Among the prominent persons hurt were A. Wells, member of the Illinois Legislature; H. Wells, of Massachusetts; T. R. Lehigh, of Missouri; Judge John A. Allen, of M. Levey, of Keokuk, Superintendent St. Louis, Keokuk and Northwestern Railway; Robert and J. W. Stewart, Miss Rose Harper, J. E. Elford, George Amour, J. W. Hutchinson and Miss Effie Elford.

MR. HEWITT WON'T WITHDRAW.

He Rejects the "Staats Zeitung's" Advice That He and Grant Should Pull Out.

The *Staats Zeitung* of to-day has an editorial advising the withdrawal of both Hewitt and Grant as Mayoralty candidates so that the Democracy could unite upon a compromise candidate.

A reporter of the *Staats Zeitung* read the editorial to Mayor Hewitt, who listened attentively. Mayor Hewitt said that he thought Mr. Ottendorfer was making a mistake in supporting him (Hewitt) for Mayor; that he had great respect for Mr. Ottendorfer, and was surprised at the position the paper had taken.

Later, Mayor Hewitt said that he could not and would not withdraw from the contest.

Yankee Bicyclists to Race.

The Yankee Bicycle Club will have its fifth race for the gold medal on Saturday. The course will be four miles. The start will be at 5 P. M.

Sneezing Catarrh.

The distressing sneezes, sneezes, sneezes, the acrid, watery discharge from the eyes and nose, the painful inflammation extending to the throat, the swelling of the mucous lining, causing choking sensations, cough, ringing noises in the head and splitting headaches—how familiar these symptoms are to thousands who suffer periodically from head colds or influenza, and who live in ignorance of the fact that a single application of SANDFORD'S RADICAL CURE FOR CATARRH will afford instantaneous relief.

But this treatment in cases of simple Catarrh gives but a faint idea of what this remedy will do in the chronic forms, where the breathing is obstructed by shelling, purulent mucous accumulations, the hearing affected, smell and taste gone, throat ulcerated and hacking cough gradually fastening itself upon the debilitated system. Then it is that the marvelous curative power of SANDFORD'S RADICAL CURE manifests itself in instantaneous and grateful relief. Cure begins from the first application. It is rapid, radical, permanent, economical, safe.

SANDFORD'S RADICAL CURE consists of one bottle of the RADICAL CURE, one box CATARRHIC SOLVENT and an IMPROVED EYE DROPPER.

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BIG BLAZE IN OIL.

Brooklyn's Eastern District Has an Early Morning Calamity.

One Fireman Fatally and Others Severely Burned.

Great Explosions Scatter the Flames on Land and Water.

Storehouses Destroyed and Vessels Ruined or Badly Damaged.

People who lived or passed where they could see across the East River, not long after day had broken this morning saw that the sky was completely hidden by a huge mass of black, heavy smoke.

The dense volume spread over the northern portion of Brooklyn like an immense unhealthy mushroom, and the strong fumes of burning oil borne across the river penetrated the New York streets and houses as far down as Roosevelt street on the east side.

That there was a big fire among the Eastern District oil-works was evident. Its extent and results were a matter of vague rumor until a later hour.

The worst conflagration that has visited Williamsburg in many years started at 5:45 o'clock this morning in the barrelling department of the Standard Oil Works, at the foot of North Eleventh street.

The watchman was walking along the wharf, when he was startled by a loud explosion. Almost immediately a huge flame shot skyward from the steamer Hafs, which was lying at the foot of the pier nearly loaded with refined oil.

He ran out and sounded an alarm, and in a few minutes Engine 15 and two others responded. Three more alarms were sent, and in about three minutes other engines arrived, with three more and ladder companies.

Before the engines arrived the fire had extended to the wharf on which 10,000 barrels of oil were stored, and to the bark Ella Vose, loaded with 45,000 barrels of oil and 6,000 barrels of naphtha.

Foreman Joseph McCormick, of Engine 15, grasped a hose, and was about to pour a stream on the flames, when a barrel on the Vose, near the place where he was standing, exploded and he was burned severely about the head and body. James McElroy, of the same company, Michael O'Keefe, of Truck 6, and Henry Hellings were also severely burned.

McCormick and Hellings were taken home and McElroy and O'Keefe were sent to the City District Hospital. McCormick will probably die.

In the mean time the Hafs was towed out from the dock and kept from sinking. The fire then spread along the wharf and to the large four-story buildings stored with highly inflammable material.

In a very brief time the flames reached the Avoca, a tugboat, and the Hafs, which was back towards her. "Little Monks," a tugboat, refused to be melted.

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